

FAMILY READINESS NEWS JULY 2012





<u>Independence Day Celebrations and Activities for the whole Family!!!</u>

Walkway July 4th Fireworks Spectacular!: www.walkway.org

http://newyork.newsday.com/entertainment/things-to-do/july-fourth-fireworks-and-celebrations-in-the-

hudson-valley-1.3798747

New York-Hudson Valley: http://www.hvwebtv.com/orangecountyevents.html

Community Events: http://www.randrealty.com/communitynews.aspx?postid=1705

A guide to all things Hudson Valley: http://www.hudsonvalleysojourner.com/

Hudson Valley happenings: www.hudsonvalleyfamily.com

Motivating Video!: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qCRarGtXVCE&feature=player_embedded

Fair well Maj Pinaud & CWO4 Austin & Families!!!

Many Blessings on your new journey's and thanks for all your dedication to the Marine Corp and to the Families of MAG 49 Det B!!!





Operation Homefront has created the Homes on the Homefront program through a new partnership with <u>Chase Bank</u>. Part of the American dream always has been owning a home. After helping to secure the freedoms all Americans enjoy, we want to help our warriors and their families realize their own American dreams.

The Process

Military families and veterans can <u>apply for a home</u> through the Homes on the Homefront programs. http://www.operationhomefront.net/homesonthehomefront/default.aspx

Once a home becomes available, you will be notified via email.

You will have 10 business days from the date the notice is sent to determine if you want to apply further for a particular home. If you further wish to be considered for a particular home mentioned in an email you receive, you will need to indicate that by following the instructions outlined in the email.

A client services representative will be assigned to each available home and will review all applications for each home. The client services representative will then submit the qualified applicants to a housing committee who will select the applicant that will be the recipient of the home. Selection is made on a case-by-case basis and includes such factors as: financial need, connection to the local community where the home is available, injury status, family size, etc.

Once selected for a home, the family will reside in the property as a tenant of Operation Homefront for a period between one and two years. During this time, families will be required to pay any actual costs of property taxes, insurance, and homeowner's association fees. A customized transition plan will be developed in conjunction with each family. Families also will have routine inspections of the home, participate in financial counseling and any other activity required by their assigned client services representative. Families will be required to save enough funds to ensure they can maintain the property long-term. Once the requirements of the transition plan have been fully satisfied and the family is able to maintain and sustain the costs of the home, the property will be deeded to the family.

If you have any questions about this program before you apply, please contact us at 210-659-7756.

Everyone at Operation Homefront expresses their sincere gratitude to all our service members and their families for helping to keep our country free!





5th Annual Poker Run Sunday Sunday, July 15th 2012 (rain date July 22nd)

Commemorative Pins for All Participants









V.F.W. Post 2064

209 Main Street, Maybrook, NY (5 minutes from Interstate 84 Exit 5) Phone (845) 427-5881

Registration: 9:00 to11:00AM Cash Prizes! 1st, 2nd, 3rd Best Hands Cost: \$20.00 - Per Person











Directions to post at webpage www.maybrookvfw.com

"We welcome all motorcycles!" and all proceeds go to:

Wounded Warriors Project ★ Paralyzed Veterans of America ★ Orange County Veterans Service

Agency Food Bank ★ Castle Point Veterans Family Food Bank ★ Fisher House

Contact us at Post2064pokerrun@gmail.com or jmmoore123@aol.com







NEW YORK STATE OPERATION: MILITARY KIDS SPEAK OUT FOR MILITARY KIDS LOCK-IN

Where? Stewart Terrace Community Who? Military & Non-Military

Center

46 Sluga Drive

New Windsor, NY 12553

When? Tuesday, August 14 at 5:30 p.m.

though Wednesday, August 15 at

4:00 p.m.

Youth from the Eastern New

York area between the

ages of 13 and 18.

Cost? FREE!!!

Operation: Military Kids is looking for teens that want to make a difference!! Come have fun participating in teambuilding games, photography, and creating a fun video presentation. Enjoy watching a movie and eating good food. At this event youth will enhance their technology, leadership, communication, and teambuilding skills, form new friendships and be a vital asset to their community by helping educate their community about the life of a military-connected youth.

For a registration form contact: Jerilynn at jas383@cornell.edu or (315) 788-8450, ext. 223.

(Registration is limited to 30 youth.)





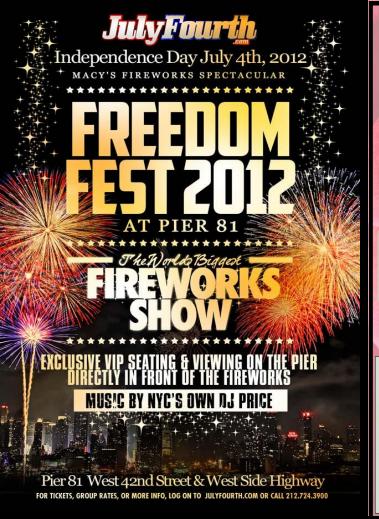


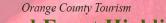






Operation: Military Kids is a partnership of Army Child, Youth & School Services, 4-H National Headquarters/USDA, and Cornell University. Operation: Military Kids— New York is supported by the 4-H/Army Youth Development Project under Kansas State University special project number 2007-48661-03868.





Weekend Event Highlights

June 29-July 2 - Friday-Monday

Grand Circuit Racing Landmark Stakes on Fri, New York Sire Stakes on Sat & Sun, New York County Fair Stakes on Mon. Post time: IPM. Goshen Historic Track, Goshen 845-294-5333, www.GoshenHistoricTrack.com

June 29 - Friday

Farm Tour Friday

Get 'down and dirty' as you learn all about Orange County's rich agricultural heritage. Take a tractor ride, then walk through the fabulous Black Durt and taste wonderful fresh vegetables (Dam-Spm. Bialas Farms, New Hampton. 845-374-4925, www.bialasfarms.com

June 29 & 30, Friday & Saturday

Great American Weekend

Over 150 vendors with huge craft show, antiques, exhibits, live entertainment, 5K/10K race, children's rides, harness racing, food, and much more. Sat 9-5, Sun 10-5. Village of Goshen. 845-294-741, www.goshennychamber.com

June 30 - Saturday

Appalachian Trail Dedication

Celebrate the official designation of Warwick as the newest Appalachian Trail CommunityTM at 11:30m. Erioya day of hiking and guided tours plus an evening concert at Greenwood Lake Waterfront Park at 7pm. Route 17A & Continental Road, Warwick. 304:535-2200 ext. 117, www.appalachiantrail.org/atcommunity June 30 - Saturday

Bannerman Island Cruise and Walking Tour Experience the history of the Hudson River on this guided tour of Bannerman Island via the Pollepel water taxi. Departs 12 Noon from Torthes Landing, Newburgh. Advance reservations required. 845-220-2120, www.prideofthehudson.com

June 30 - Saturday

Mr. Smith Goes to Washington

The 1939 film classic starring Jimmy Stewart and Jean Arthur. 7:30pm. The Historic Paramount Theatre, Middletown. 845-346-4195, www.middletownparamount.com

July 1 - Sunday

Kayak Tour of Hidden Cove

Paddle under the Storm King Mountain railroad trestle to enter Hidden Cove, then venture on land to discover the historic ruins. Reservations required. 10am. Storm King Adventure Tours, Cornwall-on-Hudson. 845-534-7800, www.stormikingadyenturetours.com

July 1 - Sunday

Sugar Loaf Music Festival

Relax as you listen to some fine music and poetry in the garden Refreshments available. Bring a lawn chair or blanket 12:30pm. Bertoni Gallery's Sculpture Garden, Sugar Loaf. 845-469-0993, www.bertonigallery.com

For more events this weekend and beyond visit

www.OrangeTourism.org

Highlight: Appalachian Trail

The very first section of this 2,181 mile trail was begun right here at Bear Mountain in 1923. Wending its way through 14 states from Maine to Georgia, it's the longest makred footpath in the U.S. The original part in Bear Mountain has the prototype buildings in the Trailside Museum and Zoo that were copied for the rest of the trail.

304-535-2200 ext. 117 www.appalachiantrail.org/ atcommunity



Appalachian Trail with Greenwood Lake in the background. Photo Credit: John Stage

Semper Fi Parents of Hudson Valley, NY present

A Hero Softball Tournament

Army, Marines, Air Force, and Navy teams
Saturday, September 15, 2012
Dutchess Stadium, Beacon NY
Games start at 11:00 a.m.

All tickets \$10.00, general admission, kids under 5 free



For the Freedoms
that we all enjoy...
Our Thanks go to the
young men and women
serving in all
branches of the military.

Sponsorships from \$50 to \$1000 are available.
Help offset the cost of mailing care packages,
support military families in need and support
the wounded warrior programs.

For further questions, call 914-474-2295 or 845-214-8422

Semper Fi Parents of Hudson Valley,

A registered 501C3 charity

www.semperfiparentshv.org





Night on the





Cooking Demo
Thursday, August 30
16-8:30pm, Hudson Room
Learn how to plan & cook for a
tailgate party while sampling
some delicious menu items!

Phone: (845) 938-5120, 446-5504 FAX: (845) 446-0749 westpointmwr.com

West Point ACS Employment Readiness Program



July 18 10-11:30am August 20 10-11:30am

Dress For Success/ Interview Skills

August 13

September 17

July 2

July 3 10-11am August 29 10-11am

10-11:30am

10-11:30am

10am-12pm

Networking 101

July 9 10-11am August 14 10-11am September 10 10-11am

Ten Steps to a Federal Job

July 10 10am-12pm August 27 10am-12pm September 12 10am-12pm



All workshops are held in the ACS Training Room, Bldg. 622 unless otherwise noted.

For more info, call 938-5658

westpointmwr.com





2012 Hiring Our Heroes Veterans Event - Ocean City, NJ The Ocean City Music Pier

801 Boardwalk at Moorlyn Street, Ocean City, NJ October 11, 2012 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Join us October 11, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM for a hiring fair for veteran job seekers, active duty military members, Guard and Reserve members, and military and veterans spouses at The Music Pier, 801 Boardwalk at Moorlyn Street, Ocean City, NJ. This event will be a one-of-a-kind FREE hiring fair for both employers and job seekers.

Employers Must register for FREE at HoH.GreatJob.net

Register for FREE at HoH.GreatJob.net

This hiring event is being sponsored by The American Legion, Cape May County, hosted and cosponsored by the Morvay/Miley Post 524, Ocean City, NJ, and is conducted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, The American Legion, the Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS), the New Jersey Committee of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, NBC News, and other local partners.

If you need assistance registering, please contact us at hiringourheroes@uschamber.com.











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Representatives may provide food samples, display products, offer activities, discount coupons and/or conduct raffles for prizes!

> If child care is needed, you may sign the babysitter list out at Lee and Stony CDC.

For more information, call 938-3487 or monica.orecchio@usma.edu









- -- When: 18 July 2012, Start 0730- 1500
- -- Where: Bldg 202 (Auditorium)
- -- Who: Any DoD Cardholder 14 years of age and older (Active, Traditional, Retired, Dependant)
- -- Why: SL 3. NYS Boater Safety Education Requirements As of January 1, 2006, all operators 14 years of age and older must successfully complete a boating safety education course to operate a Personal Watercraft and or motor boat in the State of New York.
- --How: Register with the 105th AW Safety Office via email:

105AW.SE.Safety@ang.af.mil or call 845-563-2232 Please provide Rank/Name/Organization/ Phone #

--Cost: \$10.00 per person 18yr and older, FREE for 14-17yr old

Boater Safety Course (BSC)

U.S. AIR FORCE

The best place for a new operator whether motor boat or personal water craft (PWC) to start once they've made the decision to ride on the open waters. Successful completion of this course and its knowledge test, which consists of approximately eight hours of classroom instruction, will serve as a temporary operators license in New York state. After submitting proper documentation, and mandatory \$10.00 NYS DMV fee via mail, you will then receive your permanent license by mail.

2012 SUMMER RIDING CAMPS



at Morgan Farm

Camp Dates

Week 1 June 25-29 5 day Beginner Western

Week 2 July 10-12 3 day Beginner Western Week 3 July 16-20 5 day Beginner Western Week 4 July 24-26 3 day Beginner Western

Week 5 July 30-August 3 5 day Beginner English Week 6 August 8-10 3 day Intermediate English & Western

Hours

5 day Camp: Mon-Fri, 9am-3pm 3 day Camp: Mon-Wed, 9am-3pm

	Rates	
	3-Day	5-Day
Mil/DoD	\$180	\$300
Dependents of deployed Soldiers	\$162	\$270
Non-DoD	\$185	\$305

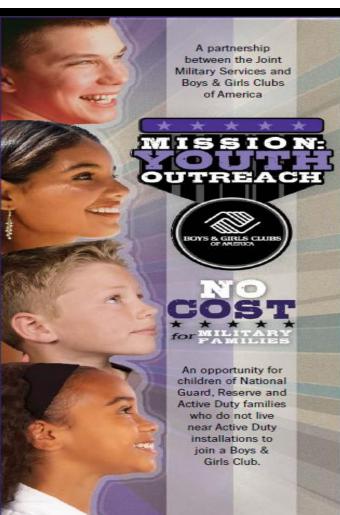


A stepping stone for children who have completed beginner camps at Morgan Farm or elsewhere. Requires a 1/2 hour lesson with our instructor to determine level of ability. Levels defined on reverse.





For more details, call 938-3926 westpointmwr.com



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2012 Swim Season

Round Pond Beach Hours of Operation: May 26 - 28, 12 - 5pm June 2 - 3, 12 - 5pm Opens for the season June Mon - Sun, I lam - 5pi



Delafield Pond Hours of Operation: Opens for the season lune 8 Mon - Sun, I Iam - 6pm

Swim punch cards can be purchased at **Delafield and** Round Pond when they open for the season. Cost is \$24 per youth* and \$34 per adult. Punch cards are valid for use at Round Pond and Delafield swim areas and are good for 12 visits. Daily Swim Passes are available at \$3 for cadets & children (children ages 3-13) and \$4 for adults. Children under age 14 must pass an administered swim test to be allowed in the deep area of both Ponds. Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

*Ages 3-13, Cadets and E-1 thru E-6. 12 punches per card.

For more info, call 938-5158 westpointmwr.com

Do your kids need a place to go after school and in the summertime?

Do they need a place that offers supervised programs?

> Visit your local Boys & Girls Club today!

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Visit www.bgca.org/military or call 1-800-854-CLUB

Find a Club TODAY!

Just complete the form inside and take it to your participating Boys & Girls Club.





Military Pathways®

Military Mental Health Screening Program

Military life, especially the stress of deployments or mobilizations, can present challenges to service members and their families that are both unique and difficult. Some are manageable, some are not. Many times we can successfully deal with them on our own. In some instances matters get worse and one problem can trigger other more serious issues. At such times it is wise to check things out and see what is really happening. That's the purpose of these totally anonymous and voluntary mental health testing self-assessments.

Take an anonymous
Military Pathways®
Screening •



https://www.militarymentalhealth.org/





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13-15 JUL YOSEMITE, CA 20-22 JUL SUNRIVER, OR 27-29 JUL LEXINGTON, KY 10-12 AUG GALVESTON, TX 17-19 AUG INNISBROOK, FL 24-26 AUG ATLANTA, GA 14-16 SEP BOSTON, MA

28-30 SEP HERSHEY, PA

- Marriage Enrichment Retreats are especially designed for Marine Forces Reserve service members and their spouses, Marine Corps Recruiters and their spouses, I&I Staff and their spouses who have not previously attended.
- This weekend is at no cost to you! Lodging, meals, materials and POV mileage within @350 miles one-way to site are paid by MFR CREDO.
- No child care is provided couples retreat.
- Contact your Unit Family Readiness Officer for more information and to register to attend a retreat.
- For more Marriage Enrichment Retreat information check out http://www.facebook.com/navycredo
- RP2 Tracy O'Gilvie, MFR CREDO Coordinator 504-697-8091

FAMILY DAY IN THE PARK COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

AT
NEWBURGH'S DOWNING PARK

JULY 7, 2012
2:00 PM - 7:00PM
(RAIN DATE JULY 8TH)

FREE

Food, Music, a Bouncy House, Games & SO MUCH MORE!!

Come Enjoy Family & Fellowship With your community partners It's Fun for Everyone!

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MILITARY CHILD CARE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

is an initiative to locate and help pay for child care when on-base child care programs are not available or accessible.



Thousands of Active Duty, Guard and Reserve Service Members in all branches of the military have been activated or deployed. The remaining spouse or other family members suddenly assume responsibility for all family needs. In many instances, child care becomes a major issue from both a cost and availability standpoint.

To support these families and their child care requirements, the Department of Defense (DoD), the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps established partnerships with NACCRRA which:

· Require NACCRRA to find child care in civilian communities nationwide for Active Duty, Guard and Reserve Military Families living away from installations or unable to access military child care due to non-availability. All providers must be state licensed and receive an annual inspection to participate in any of the child care programs. NACCRRA manages and provides fee assistance to participating child care providers.

Military Families from all service branches may be eligible for the following programs:

- Operation Military Child Care (OMCC) supports the needs of deployed military personnel. Under OMCC, NACCRRA provides child care referrals and fee assistance is paid for child care spaces nationwide.
- Military Child Care in your Neighborhood (MCCYN) provides long-term, quality child care spaces. Under MCCYN, child care fee assistance is paid for accredited care for children of geographically dispersed Active Duty Service Members.
- Wounded, Ill, or Severely Injured, provides child care spaces in support of Active Duty Service Members who have been injured and are receiving in-patient or out-patient medical care for extended periods. For the Army, Soldiers must be assigned to a Warriors in Transition Battalion or Unit to receive care.
- Survivors of Fallen Warriors provides child care fee assistance to families of military members who passed away on Active Duty on or after September 11, 2011.

TO RECEIVE THE FEE ASSISTANCE FOR CHILD CARE PLEASE SEE YOUR FAMILY READINESS



Operation: Military Child Care

is a Department of Defense (DoD) initiative to support the child care needs of parents who are activated/deployed.



1515 N. Courthouse Road, 11th Floor Arlington, Virginia 22201

Phone (703) 341-4100 Fax (703) 341-4101 www.naccrra.org

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- You'll have the best recruiters in the business finding you work and helping you move your career forward.
- You can work at a variety of jobsites from the largest military and commercial repair facilities in the nation to top aircraft manufacturers in production or maintenance.
- 4. You'll earn top hourly rates plus per diem for traveling jobs.
- You can earn sign-on and referral bonuses. Just ask a recruiter for more details.

Text **PLANETECHS** to **27697** or apply online at www.planetechs.com

EDUCATION & EVENTS

FAMILY READINESS MEETINGS

JULY 18th 2012-7:00PM

Stewart Community Center

Come out and meet other Military Families in your neighborhood!!!

BUNKO

JULY 16th 2012-6:30PM

Globe and Anchor

\$5.00 to play & bring a dish to share!

LOTS OF FUN!!!

SAVE THE DATES

OPERATION MILITARY KIDS TEEN LOCK IN

AUGUST 14-15 2012

Please sign up with your FRO!!!

BACK PACK BRIGADE

AUGUST 20-21st 2012

Stewart ANG Dinning Hall Times to be announced

MAG 49 DET B FAMILY DAY

SEPTEMBER 9th 2012

HERO SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 15th 2012 **DUTCHESS STADIUM**

Come out and root for your Marines!!!

Family Readiness Office

Providing information and education for military service members and their Families by sustaining and maintaining Family readiness.

Stop in or contact anytime!

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USEFUL LINKS

Government Employees Vacation opportunities: http://www.getravelop.com/

New York State-Fishing, Hunting and MORE!!! http://www.dec.ny.gov/

JOBS AND MORE!

www.militaryconnection.com

Financial education

www.MyMoney.gov

TURBO TAP

Your Connection to money, benefits and jobs.

http://www.turbotap.org/register.tpp

HELP FINDING A JOB

http://www.employerpartnership.org/

ORANGE COUNTY PARKS!!!

http://www.orangecountynyparks.com/

EDUCATION INFORMATION:

http://militaryconnection.com/education.asp

Community Calendar:

http://www.pendellrd.com/community.htm

Community and State Information:

http://www.ready.gov/america/local/ny.html

American Red Cross:

http://www.redcross.org/

Military OneSource: Education and Resources! www.militarvonesource.com

National Suicide Prevention Hotline:

1-800-273-8255- www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Child Care Program:

www.Sittercity.com

TRICARE

http://www.tricare.mil/tronorth/default.cfm

New York Events:

http://www.iloveny.com/

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